

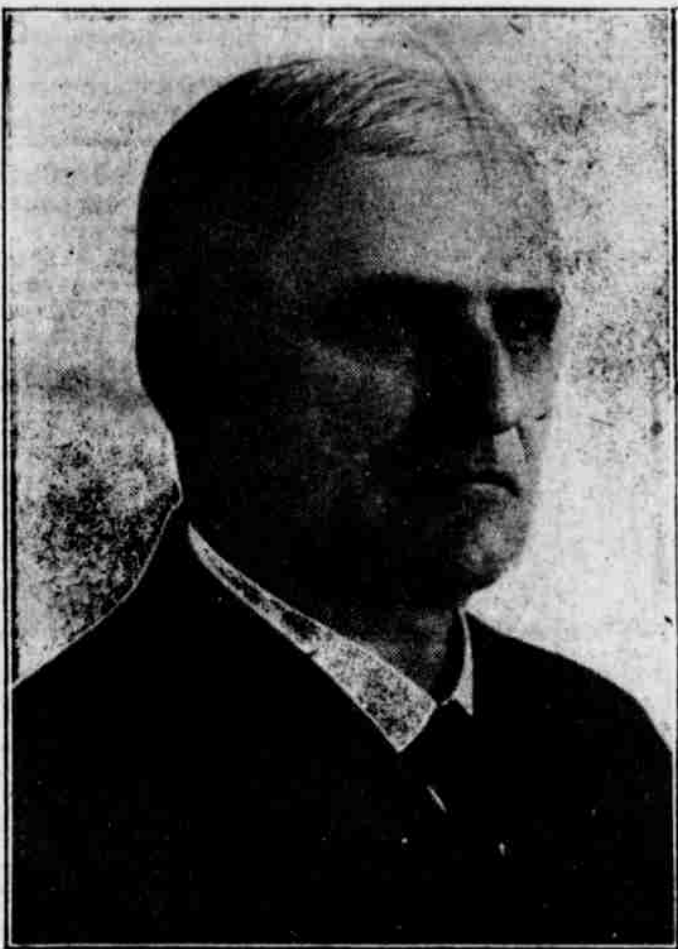
CONGRESSMAN BOOKER RESTS HIS CASE WITH HIS FRIENDS

Will Stick to His Post of Duty and Feels That He Is Doing That Which Is Right

His Friends Appreciate His Devotion to Their Interests and Will Re-nominate Him Tuesday

To My Friends in Buchanan County:

You can readily see by reference to the daily press that the work of congress is such at this late date that it absolutely precludes my returning home to meet you before the primary without neglecting the important duties to which you have assigned me, and I therefore leave my case in your hands, trusting that you will fully appreciate my position and give me the support which I am precluded from asking of you in person.



HON. CHARLES F. BOOKER

I have always trusted the Democracy of Buchanan county and you have reciprocated with the most pleasing expressions of your confidence in me, for which I again thank you, and will always remember your loyalty and devotion with that feeling of gratitude which comes as the result of mutual trust and confidence.

With best wishes, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES F. BOOKER.

Washington, D. C., July 27, 1916.

CHARLES C. CROW

A Well Known St. Joseph Man Who Would Be a Court of Appeals Judge

There is no one in Northwest Missouri who does not know and admire Charles C. Crow, formerly of this city, where he practiced law successfully for a number of years, later removing to Kansas City, where he is now one of the most successful of attorneys in legal circles and social as well. He is one of those who are always welcome, no matter where they appear.

Mr. Crow is now an aspirant for the Democratic nomination for the judgeship of the Kansas City court of appeals, and from this viewpoint it looks as if there was no chance for him to lose. It is said that his opponents are not men of experience, and in consequence St. Joseph's friend is in the front rank.

The many friends and acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Van Hoomsen will learn with pleasure that this popular young couple are to arrive tonight at 6:10 o'clock in St. Joseph from Portland, Oregon, after an absence of three years spent on the Pacific slope. Mr. Van Hoomsen was connected with the Ford Automobile company in Portland as cashier, and on his arrival here will become superintendent of the new Ford agency that is to be established soon. The popularity of this young couple will be a valuable asset in Mr. Van Hoomsen's business career here.

HULL AS A DUCKIST

He Made a Remarkable Escape From Platte County Local Option Election

Candidate for congress James H. Hull of Platte, who is urging his claims based on the assertions that "Booher has been there long enough," and "Platte county is entitled to it," is having considerable difficulty in explaining to both the "wets" and the "drys" of the district how he stands on the liquor question. Hull ducked out of Platte county three weeks ago on the night before the local option election, and went to Higginsville, where he addressed the old soldiers on the next day, while all Platte countians were voting. Hull could have remained in Platte City until 9 a. m. Saturday morning, which would have given him three hours in which to have voted, and then could have caught three different trains which would have taken him to Higginsville in ample time to make his address. Since Hull ducked, neither the wets or drys can trust him, as they rightly argue that when a man has not the courage to stand up in his own county and vote one way or the other, that he would not do to trust on the floor of congress when an important measure was to be voted upon.

THEY COULD NOT

Just Common Prevarication About Lake Contrary Will Send No One to Congress

Those who have been so hois-terously and loudly proclaiming that "if I were in congress I would have stopped the threatened cutting into Lake Contrary by the Missouri river," are invited to consult either Col. McIndoe, in charge of the Missouri river, or the secretary of war, who will very quickly get some of the muddle out of their supposed grey matter. The aspirants for congress know full well that now that the river will not cut into the lake this season, that their greatest noise asset is gone—and it hurts them.

Every man of good brain knows that the United States government now and for the past twenty years has required that when government work and government aid is asked along any stream to protect its banks that if the stream is not a navigable one—as the Missouri is not—that the government engineers will make an estimate of what is needed to do the work, and that then the government will put up dollar for dollar with the citizens to make the needed repairs—and will do no more.

The Missouri is not a navigable stream above Kansas City. There is no freight or passenger traffic on it. Every thinking person knows that the federal government is not interested in Lake Contrary as it is a private resort. Every reasonable person knows that a steamer could come to St. Joseph through the Lake Contrary cut-off if the river goes through, just as well as it could now come by the present route. Every person also knows that Congressman Booher three years ago secured \$75,000 from the government for the fixing of the bank opposite Lake Contrary, conditioned on the fact that the citizens raise a like amount. Every citizen knows that the appropriation was allowed to lapse a year ago because the citizens and farmers interested did not raise their part of the fund. Every citizen also knows that Congressman Booher has again introduced and has had passed by the house and senate and signed by the president another bill appropriating another \$75,000 to protect Lake Contrary, providing that the citizens raise a like amount—and every one knows that a couple of husky orators are tramping down the tall brush all over this district trying to take Congressman Booher's seat away from him while he is in Washington attending to the duties for which he was elected, using as a slogan, "If you send me I will get the money."

\$75,000 FOR THE RIVER

Congressman Booher's Bill is Signed by the President Thursday Afternoon

Congressman Booher's bill appropriating \$75,000 for the work of improving the Missouri river opposite Lake Contrary, which had been passed by both houses, was signed by the president Thursday afternoon and the government's part of the fund is now available.

This will insure the safety of Lake Contrary, as the fund to be raised by the citizens will now be completed.

WHAT TEDDY SAID

His Four Years Ago Proclamation Should Hold Good at the Present Time

Just after the Republican national convention four years ago, Theodore Roosevelt wrote, in a signed article published in The Outlook:

As a final result, the fraudulent convention then named a new fraudulent committee, to which it gave absolute power over the next Republican convention; so that the official heads of the Republican party, having complete control of the party machinery have carefully provided in advance that four years hence (1916) the Republican voters shall be delivered hand and foot to the political bosses. Those bosses of the Republican party have absolutely no chance of regaining control over the party; and the party has been definitely and finally brought by theft and fraud under the control of bosses, and no self-respecting man should stay within the Republican party under these conditions.

WE HAVE THEM HERE

A Pair of Democratic Candidates Who Run Upon the Plan of Johnnie Swanger

The St. Louis Republicans are beginning to see John Swanger as he really is. They have begun to learn what the people in Sullivan county have known for a long time—that he is a smooth, designing politician, who is always ready to run for an office, and that his moral conscience does not shrink from getting votes, no matter how or where he gets them. The Republican members of the city committee in St. Louis who were forced to endorse Swanger by "Boss" John Schmoll, "Hank" Weeke and others, are beginning to wake up. They have learned that "Johnny Slick" is a four-flusher; that he is playing the game of "wet in the cities and dry in the country." They have also figured it out that a man cannot be for local option in the country and against state-wide prohibition. That old fake is like the old tariff fake, and, strange to say, the Republicans in St. Louis have actually begun to "see the light." The shrewd politicians, both Democrat and Republican, have pulled off the "wet" stunt in the city and the "dry" stunt in the country for the last time. Sensible people will not stand for it any longer. It has finally reached to the "gray matter" of the rank and file in both parties, that, if we had state-wide prohibition there would not, nor could not, be any local option in the state. Hence, it is very, very safe for candidates for office to say, "I am for home rule in the cities and for local option in the counties." A man that makes such a statement as that should be branded as the Great High Priest of the Ananias Club. Because, if a man is for home rule in St. Louis he could not be against home rule in Milan, and that is what Swanger is telling the people all over the state. It is impossible for a man to be "wet" in one place and "dry" in another place. And any man who seeks an office from the voters (and especially the most important office in our great state) and puts out such "bunk" as that, is certainly not entitled to any consideration by the voters. A man who is big enough to be governor of the great state of Missouri should be man enough to take a stand on every vital question, and not equivocate or pussy-foot.—Milan Standard.

FOR COUNTY CORONER

Dr. J. W. Mays is a Native of Buchanan County, and a Physician of Repute

Dr. J. W. Mays of 824 Edmond street, St. Joseph, Mo., is a native of Buchanan county. He was born near old Taos, April 13, 1872. At the age of fourteen years he moved with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Mays, to Sparta, where his father now resides. Dr. Mays received his primary education at the Lone Star and Sparta schools. He afterward attended the Central high school in St. Joseph, finishing in 1896. He then entered the Ensworth medical college, graduating from that institution in 1900. After receiving his diploma, he located at Easton, in this county, where he practiced his profession until Aug. 1, 1912. He then went to St. Joseph and opened his office in his present location. In 1911 Dr. Mays attended the Chicago Post Graduate school. He also took a special course in the diseases of the eye, ear, nose



DR. J. W. MAYS

and throat at the Chicago Polytechnic. He is an active member of the Buchanan County Medical society, and of the Missouri State and the American Medical associations. Doctor Mays is married and has a family of three children. As a student, he was always industrious, energetic and a leader of his classes. As a citizen, he is a Democrat and has always stood for the best moral interest of his community and the upbuilding of humanity. As a physician, he is devoted to his profession and successful in his practice. Neither Doctor Mays nor any member of his family has ever before asked the people for their support, but now he asks for your vote for the Democratic nomination of coroner, Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1916.

WHAT PLATTE CO. THINKS OF BOOKER

Chester D. Rose, One of the Prominent Farmers of the County, Tells the Story

SAYS IT IS NO TIME FOR TRADING

And That Congressman Booher Should Be Kept at His Post of Duty for the Reason That He, Like Judge Burnes, Has Become Proficient in the Place to Which He Has Been Chosen and That Especially Now at This Critical Time Men of His Experience Are Needed.

The assertion is frequently heard made by those who are opposed to the renomination of Congressman Booher, that now that Platte county has a candidate for his place that Mr. Booher has but a small following down there and that he does not stand well with the Democracy of that county. That this assertion is used for political effect only and that it is furnished by inspiration to these mouthpieces is self-evident from the fact that a great number of those who are making these assertions have never been inside of Platte county in their lives and some of them do not even know the location of the county. They have simply been told from "higher up" what to say and how to say it.

Just as an illustration of this specie of campaigning and in order that the true situation may come from first hands, the reliability of which cannot be questioned, the following letter from Chester D. Rose, one of the best known farmers and stockmen of Northwestern Platte county, is hereby reproduced. Mr. Rose is located in the Bean Lake and Iatan districts, where his holdings are, and the standing which he enjoys cannot be questioned. His address is Rushville, R. F. D. No. 1. Mr. Rose writes:

"The Platte county people honor the citizens and farmers of the upper counties of the Fourth congressional district for the solid support they always give to their honored citizen, Judge Alonzo D. Burnes.

"The people of Platte county know that the name of Hon. Charley F. Booher is as near and dear to the people of the upper counties as the name of Judge Burnes to the people of Platte county.

"On Aug. 1 the farmers and citizens of Platte county will have an opportunity to repay their love and esteem to the farmers of the upper counties for their friendly and solid unit, for our esteemed citizen, Judge Alonzo D. Burnes.

"The Platte county citizen who is writing this article is very much acquainted with the political situation in this county, and I want to say that the name of Charley Booher is deep in the hearts of every citizen. We honor the name of Charley Booher with the same firmness, and reason, that we honor the name of Woodrow Wilson—for sticking to his post of duty, on the firing line, standing as a soldier, whom we have selected to stand at our seat in congress, at Washington, facing the great foreign and Mexican crises—knowing that at home is an active bunch of disgruntled politicians, and revolutionaries, clamoring with every falsehood that the human mind can conceive, trying to tear from this honored man his very life, and his honor.

"It is not a matter of who is opposing Charley Booher in this campaign, for Charley Booher is the one and only man at this time to represent us in congress, for the same reason that Woodrow Wilson is the only one and only man capable and fit to represent us as president at this time. It is not a matter of politics by sending Charley Booher to congress; it is a matter of duty, honor, and preparedness, and I can show you that this is the fact.

"Take for instance a United States regular soldier, a bank president, lawyer, doctor, teacher, or the president of any of the great institutions, etc. Does the United States government train a regular soldier for three, six, nine, or twelve years, then at the critical moment say to these trained men: 'You step out; let this man in; because he has a great reputation for setting up the drinks, buying the cigars, being a good mixer, a silver tongued orator, a favorite son from this or that county, has been speaker of a house, has been constable or so and so.' What does your dear Uncle Sam do? He sends his trained men to guard your homes, your children and your property.

"How would the people of the Fourth congressional district feel to watch a raw recruit such as we would send, if Charley Booher was refused, matching his wits and wisdom with Von Bernsdorff, or any of the great foreign ambassadors down at Washington; men who have been designated to spend their lives at those stations? It would be like watching a child who had unfortunately lost its very necessary wearing apparel standing before an audience. It would be as much a handicap as a humiliation.

"A grave situation is before the people of the Fourth congressional district down at Washington. We all know that August 1 is one of our opportunities to touch with that situation; we all know that is the day we are to designate one of our great family, to go down there and answer yes, and no, for all of us as a unit on questions concerning us in this great world's war; and there is only one way to perform it—keep our old regular and trained soldier, Charley Booher, on the (border) front at Washington, and insure the future life, happiness, and prosperity of ourselves, our children, and our children's children. We have no time to listen to politicians, for the same reason that we have no time to listen to college bred students to tell us how to raise our corn, our hogs, and our wheat, or the Doctor Wileys to tell us how to raise our children. It's pencil to the ballot, boys, and send Charley Booher to the front.

"We have no time to listen to these politicians, for they never will be satisfied. Even when death calls them they won't be satisfied—it's like this with them: You elect one of them constable, then he wants you to elect him sheriff; then he wants you to elect him representative to Jefferson City; then he wants you to elect him governor; then he wants you to elect him United States senator; then he wants you to elect him president. Elect him president the first time, then he wants you to elect him president the second time; elect him president the second time, then he wants you to elect him president the third time. It is not so with Charley Booher and Judge Burnes; these two men are exceptions, and when you have an exception, stay with them—they have reached their assignments in life, and want no further.

"Training and keeping at their stations in life such men as Charley Booher, Judge Burnes, Champ Clark, Stone and Wilson, you make history for the teaching of your children's children.

"If you dabble and deal with these craving, hungry politicians the only fruit you will ever reap will be of Oyster Bay, and Opposum eating brand of history.

"Charley Booher and Judge Burnes have both been tried, tested, and educated in their respective stations. On August 1 let's take off our hats and bow to the flag of Charley Booher, who is at his station, a protector of your homes, your sons and your property.

"CHESTER D. ROSE."

BOOHER WILL WIN

That is the Way That the Bookmakers Are Posting Their Bets

The bookmakers are playing Booher to win the congressional race, with Martin and Hull for second and third place respectively. Bets of 50 to 35 on Booher which were posted yesterday in a Francis street bookmaker's place had up to last night found no takers. There has not been much money placed on this race, the sheriff's race taking down the lure. The News-Press in its Thursday issue, speaking of the race, says:

"On the Democratic side of this contest the race seems to be among Booher, Martin and Hull, as Young is not making much of a campaign, and the bookmakers are playing Booher as a favorite, with odds even as between Hull and Martin. The Republicans are paying little attention to the primary race. Their only interest is that the Democrats will nominate the candidate who will prove 'easiest for our man to beat in November,' but they are not agreed as to who that candidate is."

John McQuitty, an old Boone county farmer, went to St. Louis to buy stock, and the first day just chanced to meet a pretty little girl wearing a blue hat, a blue dress, a blue parasol, and—oh, fie—blue stockings. The next day he met her again and wired his bank for \$25; the third day he met her again, and wired for \$50. Another meeting and foxy grandpa was wiring for \$100 when his banker notified the police who took him in charge and helped him buy his stock and start home.